

PUBLIC SCHOOLS, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

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FROM

THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY,

TRANSMITTING

A COPY OF A COMMUNICATION FROM THE COMMISSIONERS OF
THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA SUBMITTING AN ESTIMATE OF
APPROPRIATION FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

JANUARY 18, 1904.—Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be
printed.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY,
Washington, January 14, 1904.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith, for the consideration of Congress, copy of a communication from the Commissioners of the District of Columbia of the 12th instant, submitting urgent deficiencies in the appropriation for public schools, District of Columbia, for the current fiscal year, amounting to \$2,650.

Respectfully,

L. M. SHAW,
Secretary.

The SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

OFFICE COMMISSIONERS OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,
Washington, January 12, 1904.

SIR: The Commissioners of the District of Columbia have the honor to transmit herewith estimates of appropriations needed for the support of the public schools for the current fiscal year, with notes explanatory thereof, and to recommend that you will approve them

and transmit them to Congress for inclusion in the urgent deficiency bill, as follows:

Additional compensation for janitor of Takoma Park School from January 1 to June 30, 1904 \$150

NOTE.—In the act making appropriations to provide for the expenses of the government of the District of Columbia for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1904, the Takoma Park School, through an oversight, was included in the class of 4-room buildings at \$240 per annum for janitor service. Four additional rooms have been built, making it an 8-room building, which puts it in the \$540 class.

For the purchase and repair of tools, machinery, material, and apparatus to be used in connection with instruction in manual training, and for incidental expenses connected therewith..... \$2,500

NOTE.—The heavy increase in enrollment in the manual training schools has necessarily increased the amount of supplies needed, which has nearly exhausted the appropriation, and unless the amount asked for is secured the work of the school will be seriously embarrassed.

Very respectfully,

HENRY B. F. MACFARLAND,
*President of the Board of Commissioners
of the District of Columbia.*

HON. LESLIE M. SHAW,
Secretary of the Treasury.

*Estimates of appropriations required for the service of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1904,
by the District of Columbia.*

Detailed objects of expenditure, and explanations.	Estimated amount which will be required for each detailed object of expenditure.	Amount appropriated for the fiscal year for which the appropriation is required.
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.		
Public schools, District of Columbia:		
For janitors and care of buildings and grounds: Additional compensation for the janitor of Takoma Park School from January 1, 1904, to June 30, 1904 (act Mar. 3, 1903, vol. 32, p. 969, sec. 1).....	\$150	\$240
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For the purchase and repair of tools, machinery, material, and apparatus to be used in connection with instruction in manual training, and for incidental expenses connected therewith, for the fiscal year 1904 (act Mar. 3, 1903, vol. 32, p. 970, sec. 1).....	2,500	17,500
Total.....	2,650
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Approved.

HENRY B. F. MACFARLAND,
HENRY L. WEST,
JOHN BIDDLE,
Commissioners, District of Columbia

JANUARY 12, 1904.